MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): It depends upon the real circumstances. If the Principal is satisfied, he is at liberty to exempt the student from payment. There is no general rule saying that pecuniary difficulties would be a cause for giving exemption, but if the Principal is satisfied that the difficulty complained of is real, he is at liberty to grant the exemption.

MR. A. THANU PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): Have Government considered the desirability of making it a rule that when a student finds it necessary to leave the college in the middle of a year on account of pecuniary difficulties, he should be granted exemption?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): Ample powers are given to the Principal to deal with the matter.

MR. A. THANU PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): My question is not that. I want to know whether the Government or the College authorities have considered the desirability of exempting the student from payment of fees for the year if he discontinues in the middle of the year on account of pecuniary difficulties.

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): No. There was no need to consider that, because the powers given are employed and if pecuniary difficulties are explained to the satisfaction of the Principal, exemption will be given.

MR. A. THANU PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): In such cases how are those ample powers exercised?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): That information is not available.

MR. A. THANU PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): Sir, may I know whether Government will consider the desirability of exempting the students placed in such situation?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): The students can apply to the Principal for exemption and the Principal is given wide discretion in the matter and I think that is quite enough.

MR. A. THANU PILLAI (*Trivandrum*): That is true. But I want to know if that discretion is exercised.

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): That information has to be obtained.

Allowance to manual training teachers.

92. MR. M. N. NARAYANA MENON (*Kottayam*): Will the Government be pleased to state whether it was because they considered that the post of the instructor in manual training was unnecessary in vernacular schools, that they stopped the allowance for that post?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): No. The allowance was stopped as a measure of retrenchment.

MR. M. N. NARAYANA MENON (*Kottayam*): ഈ അലവൻസു നിർ ത്തിയതുകൊണ്ടു ഗവണ്മെൻറിന് എന്തുലാഭമുണ്ടായിട്ടുണ്ട്

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MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : ഞാനിപ്പോൾ കണക്കുകൂട്ടൽ പ്രയാസമാണ്.

ADJOURNMENT MOTION.

PRESIDENT : Mr. Joseph Kunju wishes to move the adjourn men of the business of the House.

"To discuss the disapproval of the public of Travancore regarding the decision of Government to appoint a European Mechanical Engineer for the charge of P. W. D. Workshops Division, disregarding and overriding the legitimate claims of competent and duly qualified Mechanical Engineers already in the service of the Travancore P. W. D."

This is a most extraordinary motion. I know that it is the third motion that has been made during this session, based on rumour. Members do not seem to understand the meaning of the rules at all for motions for adjournment of the business of the House. This motion is, of course, disallowed.

Legislative Business.

THE PROVIDENT INSURANCE SOCIETIES BILL.

MR. KAYALAM PARAMESVARAN PILLAI (*Additional Head Sirkar Vakil*) : Sir, the next item on the agenda is the Travancore Provident Insurance Societies Bill. Before I make the motion, with your permission, Sir, I wish to make a statement about the programme of work that has to be got through during this session of the Council. The Dewan has decided to extend the sittings of the session by one day, *viz.* Tuesday; the third reading of all the Bills has to be gone through on that day. There is then only this day for the second reading of the Bills now before the House, *viz.*, the Provident Insurance Societies Bill, the Insolvency Bill and the Chitties Regulation Amendment Bill. If it is not possible to get through the second reading of these Bills today, they will have to go to the new Legislature. If the members are anxious to get through any of these Bills, I request that they will go through it expeditiously so that the second reading may be finished; we cannot expect to have another day for this purpose. And it will not be possible to take up any second reading on Tuesday and on the same day to go on with the third reading also.

Sir, I now beg to present the Report of the Select Committee on the Provident Insurance Societies Bill and beg to move that the bill as reported be taken for consideration.

MR. R. NILAKANTA PILLAI (*Financial Secretary to Government*) : I second it.

Clause 1 to 3.

PRESIDENT : There are no amendments to the first three clauses. I put it that clauses 1 to 3 stand part of the Bill.

The question was carried and Clauses 1 to 3 were added to the Bill.

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